## BEFORE

## THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

## SOUTH CAROLINA

## DOCKET NO. 2005-295-E - ORDER NO. 2005-648

**NOVEMBER 3, 2005** 

IN RE:	Application of South Carolina Electric & Gas	)	ORDER GRANTING
	Company for Approval of the Transfer of Real	)	WAIVER OF
	Estate in Lexington, South Carolina to the	)	PUBLICATION
	South Carolina Heritage Trust Program and	)	
	Request to Waive the Legal Notification	)	
	Requirement.	)	

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the request of South Carolina Electric & Gas Company (SCE&G or the Company) to waive the legal notification requirement on the Company's Application for transfer of real estate located in Lexington County, South Carolina to the South Carolina Heritage Trust Program. The property in question consists of approximately 14 acres located between Moss Creek Subdivision, the existing Congaree Creek Heritage Preserve, and a CSX rail right-of-way in Lexington, South Carolina. According to SCE&G, the proposed transfer arises from a Memorandum of Agreement negotiated between the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and SCE&G and that upon transfer, the property will become part of the Congaree Creek Heritage Preserve operated by the South Carolina Heritage Trust Program. Additionally, SCE&G advises that the property includes both wetlands and uplands and is classified as non-utility property.

SCE&G requests that the regulatory requirement (Commission Order No. 92-931,

issued in Docket No. 89-230-E/G) to provide a thirty (30) day public notice of the

availability of the property for public sale be waived in this matter. This request is

respectfully made, according to SCE&G, to serve the public interest as it protects

wetlands and will enhance and enlarge the Congaree Creek Heritage Preserve.

We agree with the request of SCE&G and waive the requirement of publication.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the

Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Randy Mitchell, Chairman

ATTEST:

G. O'Neal Hamilton, Vice Chairman

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